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TITLE OF INVENTION: TEMPORARY WIRELESS NUMBER COMMUNICATION SYSTEM

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 259 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 259 day(s).

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Notice of Allowability

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--All claims being allowable. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative

- of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308. This communication is responsive to RCE filed 2/25/2008.
- The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-35.
- Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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 Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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 - (a) Including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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Attachment(s)

- 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08). Paper No./Mail Date
- 4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
- 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application
- Interview Summary (PTO-413), Paper No./Mail Date
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- 8. X Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- 9. ☐ Other .

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DETAILED ACTION

Continued Examination Under 37 CFR 1.114

1. A request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, including the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e), was filed in this application after final rejection. Since this application is eligible for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114, and the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(e) has been timely paid, the finality of the previous Office action has been withdrawn pursuant to 37 CFR 1.114. Applicant's submission filed on 2/25/2008 has been entered.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

2. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

18. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A method for operating a communication system that provides temporary wireless telephone numbers, the method comprising:

automatically receiving a registration request in a first switching system from a wireless call device when the wireless device is powered on;

processing the registration request to generate a registration message for a service control point;

receiving the registration message in the service control point;

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processing the registration message to determine if the wireless call device is subscribed to a temporary wireless number service;

responsive to determining that the wireless call device is subscribed to the temporary wireless number service, processing the registration message to automatically assign a temporary <u>public switched telephone network (PSTN)</u> number to the wireless call device and generate a registration response message for the first switching system that includes the temporary PSTN number; and

providing the registration response message to the first switching system.

35. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A communication system for providing temporary wireless telephone numbers, the system comprising:

a first switching system configured to receive a registration request from a wireless call device without an assigned telephone number when the wireless device dials an access number, process the registration request to generate a registration message; and

a service control point configured to receive the registration message, including the dialed number, process the registration message to determine if the wireless call device is subscribed to a temporary wireless number service, and responsive to determining that the wireless call device is subscribed to the temporary wireless number service, process the registration message to automatically assign a <u>public switched</u> telephone network (PSTN) number to the wireless call device and generate and provide a registration response message to the first switching system that includes the temporary PSTN number.

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Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-35 are allowed.

Regarding Claim 1, Ho, Phillips, and Alho do not teach, alone nor in combination, a service control point configured to receive the registration message, process the registration message to determine if the wireless call device is subscribed to a temporary wireless number service, and responsive to determining that the wireless call device is subscribed to the temporary wireless number service, process the registration message to automatically assign a temporary public switched telephone network (PSTN) number to the wireless call device and generate and provide a registration response message to the first switching system that includes the temporary PSTN number.

Regarding Claim 18, Ho, Phillips, and Alho do not teach, alone nor in combination, the combination of:

receiving the registration message in the service control point;

processing the registration message to determine if the wireless call device is subscribed to a temporary wireless number service;

responsive to determining that the wireless call device is subscribed to the temporary wireless number service, processing the registration message to automatically assign a temporary public switched telephone network (PSTN) number to the wireless call device and generate a registration response message for the first switching system that includes the temporary PSTN number.

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Regarding Claim 35, Ho, Phillips, and Alho do not teach, alone nor in combination, a service control point configured to receive the registration message, including the dialed number, process the registration message to determine if the wireless call device is subscribed to a temporary wireless number service, and responsive to determining that the wireless call device is subscribed to the temporary wireless number service, process the registration message to automatically assign a public switched telephone network (PSTN) number to the wireless call device and generate and provide a registration response message to the first switching system that includes the temporary PSTN number.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to EUGENE YUN whose telephone number is (571)272-7860. The examiner can normally be reached on 9:00am-6:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Matthew D. Anderson can be reached on (571)272-4177. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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